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U.S. HWY 218

Cook Farm Industrial Park

Interstate 90

COOK FARM INDUSTRIAL PARK

CONCEPTUAL ENTRANCE



27TH AVENUE N.W. OFF U.S. HWY 218

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA

AUSTIN COOK FARM INDUSTRIAL PARK

CITY OF AUSTIN • COUNTY OF MOWER • STATE OF MINNESOTA

JOBZ SUB ZONE: 10.01



Located a stone's throw away from the Iowa-Minnesota border, Austin is the only Minnesota city outside of the Twin Cities metropolitan area with a Fortune 500 company. Austin is home to Hormel Foods Corporation, manufacturer of the world-renowned SPAM® family of products and a myriad of other value-added food products. The company's corporate offices, flagship manufacturing plant, research and development division and new SPAM® museum are all located here.

Austin, which is the county seat of Mower County, has the existence of this Fortune 500 company along with the Mayo Health Care Systems which has brought many services and amenities unusual for a community the size of Austin.

Austin also has a highly regarded educational system, from preschool through Riverland Community College. The community is home to more than a dozen preschools and childcare centers. Austin High School, home of the Packers, is one of the most unique and impressive high school facilities in the state. Its newly renovated, multi-use athletic complex, Wescott Field, is state of the art.

Fine arts enthusiasts may enjoy theatrical performances, symphony performances, and band and chorale performances, as well as many art exhibits. The Paramount Theatre is home to the Austin Area Commission for the Arts, a group dedicated to the preservation of that historic landmark and the fostering of the arts.

Austin's religious community is represented by nearly every denomination. Church offerings range from the traditional to the more contemporary services.

Austin is conveniently located at the junction of U.S. Hwy. 218 and Interstate 90, about 100 miles south of the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, and 45 miles southwest of the City of Rochester.



Transportation:

- Ten-ton U.S. Highway 218 adjacent to site.
- Industrial park is directly adjacent to Interstate 90.
- Twenty miles east of I-35.
- Class 1 railroad adjacent to the northwest side of site.
- Austin Municipal Airport, recently completed.
 - Runway 5,800 ft.
 - Parallel Taxiway and Lighting
 - Navigational Aids include; HIRL, REILS, MALSR, PAPIs, ILS, VOR/DME, fuel sales and Aircraft Storage.

Population:

Currently estimated at +24,000 by MN State Demographer's Office
 City of Austin 2000 Census - 23,314
 Mower County, including Austin - 38,603
 See enclosed 2000 census demographic data

Skilled Labor:

Austin is the main campus of Riverland Community College, part of the Minnesota State College/University system. Enrollment at the three campuses of Riverland in 2004-2005 school year was 1785 in career tracks and 1700 in the Associate in Arts Degree courses. Specialized degree programs in the MNSCU system which have applicability include: Composites Engineering-Winona



State University; Electrical, Mechanical, Manufacturing Engineering - Minnesota State University-Mankato. Programs from both universities can be made available through administrative coordination by Riverland Community and Technical College.

Municipal Utilities and Energy:

The City of Austin is served by the Austin Utilities for its natural gas, water and electric power. The community has a peak demand of 66 mw and has generation capacity of 56 mw. The city of Austin also provides municipal sanitary and storm sewer services.

Job Opportunity Building Zones:

This entire Cook Farm Industrial Park, consisting of 150 acres, has been designated as Job Opportunity Building Zones whereas the Mower County area totals approximately 400 acres of designated Job Zones.

The city of Austin is a progressive community that invests in its future to provide a total environment for business, recreation, education and enjoyable living. We believe your company would find this community to be fully supportive in meeting you and your employees needs should you select Austin as a potential new location.